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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

7 LARRY GENE HEGGEM,

8 Plaintiff,

9 v.

10 MONROE CORRECTIONAL
11 COMPLEX, DR. KENNETH LAUREN,
12 DR. JOSEPH LOPIN, and MANIGO-
HEDT,

13 Defendants.

No. C11-5985 RBL/KLS

ORDER DENYING MOTIONS TO
COMPEL DISCOVERY

14 Before the Court are Plaintiff's motions to compel discovery. ECF Nos. 56, 57¹, and 60.

15 The Court finds that the motions should be denied because Plaintiff did not include a
16 certification in his motions that he conferred with counsel for Defendants before he filed his
17 motions.

18 While a party may apply to the court for an order compelling discovery "upon reasonable
19 notice to other parties and all persons affected thereby," the motion must also include a
20 certification that the movant has in good faith conferred or attempted to confer with the person or
21 party failing to make the discovery in an effort to secure the information or material without
22 court intervention." Fed. R. Civ. P. 37(a)(2)(B). In addition, "[a] good faith effort to confer with
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¹ ECF No. 57 contained a motion for recusal (which was denied), and a request "to direct defendants to comply with discovery and to extend discovery for 90 extra days."

1 a party or person not making a disclosure or discovery requires a face-to-face meeting or a
2 telephonic conference.” Local Rule CR 37(a)(2)(A).

3 The Court anticipates that the parties will confer and make a good faith effort to resolve
4 their discovery disputes without Court interference. If the parties cannot amicably resolve their
5 issues, Plaintiff may file a motion to compel, and shall include a certification stating that their
6 efforts were unsuccessful, and shall identify those areas of disagreement that remain unresolved.
7 The Court will not address any motion which lacks such a certification.
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9 Accordingly, it is **ORDERED**:

10 (1) Plaintiff’s motions to compel (ECF Nos. 46, 57, and 60) are **DENIED**.

11 (2) The Clerk of the Court shall send a copy of this Order to Plaintiff and to counsel
12 for Defendants.
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14 **DATED** this 25th day of July, 2012.

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16 Karen L. Strombom
17 United States Magistrate Judge
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